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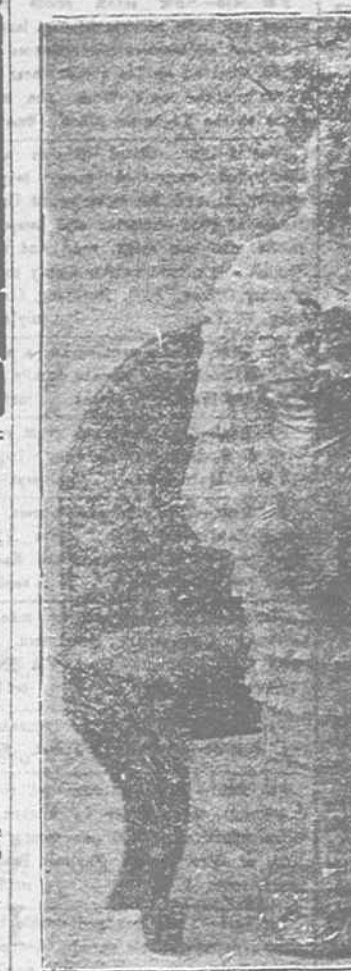
AT BLAND'S DRUG STORE.
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MILDRED HOLLAND

In "The Triumph of An Empress" Comes to the Traders Grand Opera House Wednesday Evening, Dec. 28.

The announcement of the appearance at the Traders Grand opera house on Wednesday, Dec. 28, of Mildred Holland, as Catherine, the Great, in "The Triumph of An Empress," will be particularly welcome to the hundreds of friends of that accomplished actress in this city, as well as to those theatre goers who appreciate serious effort in the drama.

The subject of the theme of "The Triumph of An Empress" is an exalted one, and while Miss Holland does not actually follow recorded facts of history in her portrayal of the great Empress, she shows her higher and better



Mr. Melville, Prima Donna, with "Miss Bob White," Willard Spencer's greatest comic opera success, at the Traders Grand opera house, Thursday, Dec. 22.

characteristics, her devotion to the duties of state and her great material love. That she can adequately do this is evidenced by the following extract from the Boston Record:

"A delighted audience at the Majestic last evening witnessed Mildred Holland's interpretation of Theodore Krimmer's 'The Triumph of An Empress,' a drama portraying the indulgence of that eccentric sovereign, Catherine, who swayed Russia a century and a half ago. Mr. Krimmer has developed his drama in an atmosphere thoroughly Russian and illustrated with subtlety and finesse the characteristics of the period in which it is laid. Miss Holland's conception of Catherine was a faithful delineation of that imperious monarch as outlined in the pen pictures of Segur, Ligny, Rousseau, Voltaire and others, weaving through the strong roof of her intolerance a tender yet powerful warp of mercy and womanliness."

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An Epidemic of Puckered Lips.
There has been an epidemic in the wake of Miss Bob White, which resembles the deadly work of the kissing-bug. But the Hobsonian insect is not to blame for the present malady, but the original composer, named Willard Spencer, whose brilliant and catchy music in Miss Bob White has set more lips a pucker than any other record to date. It is booked r appearance at the Traders Grand opera house soon.



Frank Deshon, leading comedian in Nixon & Zimmerman's "Miss Bob White" Company, at the Traders Grand opera house, Thursday, Dec. 22.

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Girls, have you seen those beautiful pipes displayed in Levy's window? Oh, yes, Emma. And have each selected one for Christmas.

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REMEMBER THE POOR

The Local Salvation Army Will Give Out Clothing and Food to the Unfortunate On Christmas.

The Salvation Army is going to see that the poor and needy of Clarksburg are not forgotten at Christmas time. The army is going to endeavor to send out one hundred baskets and articles of clothing to gladden the hearts of the unfortunate poor. The army solicits the help of the public. Donations of food, clothing or money will be gladly received. Address

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Special offer - \$7.50 worth of photographs, \$3.98; 6 large cabinets, \$4.00; 1 1/2x20 photo, \$3.00; all for \$33.98. Two weeks only. Swartz & Co., successors to DeMoss. oct31dft

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CASTOFF CLOTHING.

IT PAYS TO SEARCH THE POCKETS AND THE LININGS.

Bills, Coins and Letters Have a Way of Hiding Themselves—Experiences of a Man Who Buys Discarded Garments—Hints to the Careless.

"One can't buy castoff clothing for many years without meeting some queer experiences," remarked an "old clothes man" the other day as he fumbled through the pockets of a suit which he had just purchased for 50 cents. "Of course I don't expect to find anything—nothing except maybe some old letters. But it pays to run through the pockets and feel the lining. If a man who lets his wife sell his castoff clothes only knew what got lost in the lining of his coat sometimes he wouldn't feel so easy about parting with them. A man sticks important letters in his inside coat pocket, and some day when he wants them they are not there. He hunts and fumes around, but the letters don't turn up. Then he thinks they must have been torn up or burned, and he forgets the matter.

"But important letters don't go that way generally. They turn up sometimes to accuse a man. They find their way between the lining of the coat or vest, and we fellows get hold of them. If I wanted to go into the blackmailing business I could make plenty of money. I've found letters and papers in castoff clothing that would make pretty startling reading for some people. Of course when we get the clothes by hunting up the address in the directory we can locate either the writer or the one receiving it.

"I don't think that, as a rule, women sell their husbands' castoff clothing any more without going through all their pockets. Maybe they've got into the habit of searching them so that it becomes a second nature to them. So it is not in the pockets we find things. It's in the lining, where they have found their way gradually.

"You know how easy it is for small coins to work their way through a hole in the lining of a vest and smuggle down in the corner of the cloth. Well, we pick up quite a number of dimes and nickels in this way. Usually a vest is a small silver mine. Probably the wife of a man feels something there and thinks it is only a button or some such thing, or maybe a penny, and she won't bother in trying to fish it out. But pennies don't work down there nearly as readily as the dimes do.

"In the same way a bill will get mixed up in the lining of the inside pocket and finally disappear. The man probably misses a five or ten dollar bill and thinks he must have lost it or spent it foolishly. The matter escapes his mind, the bill is thrown to one side and some day it is sold to the 'old clothes man.' It doesn't escape us. We go through every inch of the lining and examine the corners and inside carefully. The bills we find in the course of a day will often more than pay for what we have given for all of the clothes.

"Many men are extravagant in getting rid of their castoff clothing. They have so many that they become a nuisance to them. Sell them to the first man who comes along is the easiest way for them to dispose of their useless belongings. If the servants don't take them, we get a fine pick at them. For from 50 cents to a dollar you get a suit that will when brushed, steamed, cleaned and pressed easily bring \$25 to \$35. The clothes are not worn much, but just soiled and mused a little. The trousers are stretched a little so they will bag at the knees when used a few days at a time. A man with plenty of money won't stand that. He will order his wife or valet to sell them.

"The greatest amount I ever found in money in one coat was a ten dollar bill, but several times I've found two and five dollar bills and one dollar bills by the score. Once I found a check for \$100, but as that was 50 good to me I returned it to the owner and received a dollar reward for my honesty. The best find, however, was several years ago, when I discovered a bunch of railroad coupons between the lining and inside cloth of one of these fancy vests. I suppose I might have cashed the coupons and received \$1,000 for them, but there was some risk to such a proceeding. So I concluded to turn them over to the owner and trust to his generosity. He gave me \$100 in bills and commended me for my honesty. He had missed the coupons and later I had advertised for them. Later I found that he had offered a reward of \$300 for their return. You can bet I was mad then that I didn't get more for returning them.

"As for important letters, I might say that they come to us in droves. Generally we read them and chuck them in the fire. It's the best way. If a man has lost a letter which would incriminate him he doesn't like to have it turn up. It will always worry him a little, but he lives in the hope that it is lost for good and gradually forgets it." —Washington Star.

Funerals For the Health.
At a funeral in Glasgow a stranger who had taken his seat in one of the mourning coaches excited the curiosity of the other three occupants, one of whom at last asked him:
"You're a brother of the corp?"
"No, I'm no a brother of the corp!"
"Well, then, ye'll be his cousin?"
"No, I'm not that!"
"Then ye'll be at least a friend of the corp?"
"Not that either. To tell the truth, I've no been weel myself, and as my doctor has ordered me some carriage exercise I thought this was the cheapest way to 'take' it." —From "Reminiscences," by Sir Archibald Geikie.

Do You Know Who Uncle Sam Is?
"Papa," said Harry, "who was George Washington?"
"George Washington was the Father of His Country, my boy."
"Well, who's this Uncle Sam they talk about? Was he Washington's brother?" —Exchange

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